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in which:



R and R', are identical or different, and represent a hydrophobic group or a hydrogen atom;

X and X', are identical or different, and represent a group comprising an amine functional group which may or may not carry a hydrophobic group or an L" group;

L, L' and L'', are identical or different, and represent a group derived from diisocyanate;

P and P', are identical or different, and represent a group comprising an amine functional group which may or may not carry a hydrophobic group;

Y represents a hydrophilic group;

r is an integer between 1 and 100,

n, m and p have values, each independently of the others, between 0 and 1000;

the molecule comprising at least one protonated or quaternised amine functional group and at least one hydrophobic group.

Claim 19. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 18, wherein the only hydrophobic groups are the R and R' groups.

Claim 20. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 18, wherein R and R' independently represent a hydrophobic group; X and X' are L''; n and p have values between 1 and 1000; and L, L', L'', P, P', Y and m are the same as Claim 18.

Claim 21. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 18, wherein R and R' independently represent a hydrophobic group; X and X' are L'', n and p have the value 0; and L, L', L'', Y and m are the same as Claim 18.

Claim 22. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 18, wherein R and R' independently represent a hydrophobic group; X and X' comprise a quaternary amine; n and p have the value 0; and L, L', Y and m are the same as Claim 18.

Claim 23. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 18, which exhibits a number-average molecular mass between 400 and 500,000.

Claim 24. (Previously presented) The cosmetic composition according to Claim 18, wherein R